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## Close of the Fiscal Year.

The current fiscal year of the government closes with today. Next week the government will begin disbursements on account of the new fiscal year, so far as appropriations have been made. But owing to the delay in the house of representatives, or more properly on the part of the appropriations committee of that body in reporting bills, the new fiscal year will begin without a number of the appropriations which should have been made by this time.

This state of affairs may not necessarily interfere with the business of the government, but it will prevent a considerable amount of money from going out of the treasury which is looked for at this time. The July disbursements are important, and when not forthcoming in the usual volume other interests, if not those of the government, suffer. Complaint regarding the dilatoriness of the house appropriations committees is not new. It was heard at every session of the last two congresses, and it has been apparent for some time that it was certain to be heard again. Hitherto the whole responsibility for delay rested with Mr. Randall, but the house having two years ago given to other committees than that of which Mr. Randall is the head the duty of preparing several of the appropriation bills, the responsibility is now divided. The purpose in making the change was to expedite this most important part of the work of the house, but the delay has been greater since than before the change.

Politics has more or less to do with the way in which the majority in the house tritles and delays in this matter of appropriations. At every session there is scheming to throw the responsibility for large appropriations upon the senate. At a late day bills are sent to the upper body which are inadequate, the senate supplies the required amendments, and so far as these are accepted by the house the responsibility is thrown on the senate. This practice of the democratic schemers, by which they attempt to get a cheap reputation for economy in appropriations, has been several times rebuked in the senate, and two years ago prominent members of that body urged the policy of approving appropriation bills just as they came from the house, so that if deficits resulted by which the business of the government would suffer the house would be responsible. The proposition, however, did not receive general approval and the democratic practice is maintained.

The incapacity of the democratic party to deal wisely with public affairs, as well as its readiness to subordinate everything to considerations of partisan advantage, are in no matter more strikingly shown than in the course pursued by the representatives of the party in congress with respect to appropriations.

## Mr. Cleveland's Self-Assurance.

The address of Mr. Cleveland to the committee which notified him of his nomination shows more strongly than any of his previous utterances the self-assurance of the man. Evidently he was never before quite so full of himself as he is at this time. Having most successfully brought the democratic party to his feet, and made it the unquestioning instrument of his ambition, Mr. Cleveland has apparently convinced himself that he has been a saviour, without whose wisdom and patriotism there was great danger that the whole fabric of our political institutions would have tumbled into ruin.

This self-sufficient potentate of democracy talked arrogantly of what he had accomplished in restoring the executive office to its true relations to the people, from which it had drifted under his predecessors. This astute statesman discovered that the office had "become a perversion of all it ought to be" and had been loosened from its moorings, and thereupon he set about the great task of putting it again in the right track. Could self-assurance go beyond this? The man guilty of perverting the executive office were Lincoln, Grant, Hayes, Garfield and Arthur. What will the American people think of such an allegation, coming from such a source? Who is there that will not regard as supremely ridiculous the assumption of Grover Cleveland that it remained for him to give the executive office its true character, restore it to closer relations with the people, and administer it "in full sympathy with their wants and needs." If there has been a president who kept himself more remote from the people than Mr. Cleveland has done we have no knowledge of him. Before his marriage he was more exclusive than any European monarch, and there was never a president who found so few opportunities as he to learn by association the wants and needs of the people. The executive office has become more difficult of approach since it has been occupied by Mr. Cleveland than is any ruler in